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She sits, we are gone  
She comes when dark  
not any light at noon a spark  
Spies out the Zoo they scatter slow  
The little brown dog and his shadow boy

Lovely Pete

In one office wing the bell  
Three pink violets on the ledge

Lovely Pete

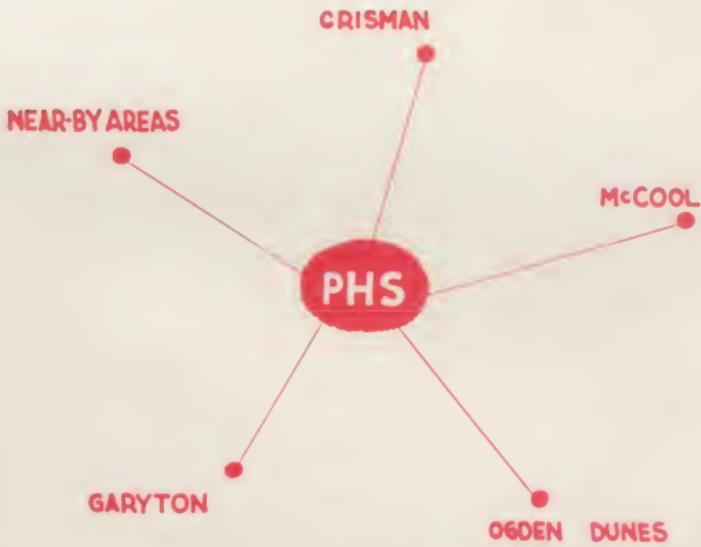
The way of running in the  
The way of going home  
The way of the sun

Lovely





# *The 1954 Legend*



PORRAGE HIGH SCHOOL  
CRISMAN, INDIANA

**WE COME**

*From farms*



*From towns*



*From the dunes*



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Extracurricular sports will always be a highlight during the noon hour. The school volleyball champs go into action as their team racks up another win.



Like the Bunny Hop, hop-hop-hop. It's the everyday things we do that help to make a year unforgettable.

*... every day*



Tilly, Watt, Betty, Kitchile, Nancy Bishop, Jackie Curry, Gayle Miller, Pat Reaper, and Emily Hickman gab about the lat in their cadet teaching. Such moments of friendship, fun, and laughter can brush away worries. Bull sessions, jokes . . . there'll always be memories of the old gang.



We realize the overcrowded conditions when students cram the halls between classes.

## *We crowd the halls and classrooms*



We spill out the door and are gone in five minutes. Unusual for most schools, this is typical of Portage, the hub of our five rural communities.



Principal Wallace Aylesworth pours over the blueprints for the new school that is being erected. In spite of this addition, our growing school system will again be overcrowded within three years.



Even in tight quarters, study hall still goes on—and on—and on. Those minutes of cramming for tests, reading magazines, just sleeping are endured in the cramped space of 202.



Big Bill and Ron find that even the lockers are bulging with the overflow.

The stairway becomes an obstacle course when the charge for the lunchline begins.



Every Monday morning the unified student body pledges allegiance to the flag.

## *School spirit soars as students stick together*

The newly-formed Pep Club has done much to boost school spirit. The Pep Club officers, sponsor, and the varsity cheerleaders go through plans for stirring up some action in pep sessions. *Left to right:* Lynne Ripperdan, cheerleader; Carol Bolley, sec.-treas.; Eva Bednash, pres.; Shirley Corbett, vice-pres.; Mr. Walker, sponsor; and cheerleaders, Mary Parker, Madeline Bradford, and Twyla Elliott.





*Upper:* Fans jump to their feet as Joe Sistanich makes the tying touchdown at the homecoming game.

*Lower:* The Pep Club displays its enthusiasm from the confetti-filled bleachers.



The freshman bonfire sparked the warm spirit of homecoming.



## We're proud of our outstanding events

*Upper left:* Jazz lads, Mac, Dale, Ken, and Rich, present the skit "No Help Wanted" in a convocation.

*Upper right:* Coach Speckhard awards trophies to outstanding football player Leon Delmage and captain Lynn McCasland.

*Lower left:* On College Day, Barbara Kimmel and Emily Hickman question Roberta Polite about nurses' training.

*Lower right:* The rhythm of the Portage Swingsters highlighted many dances during the year.

*Right:* This spring the home economics classes presented a style show and sewing fair. During rehearsal, Judy Wilcox and Bonnie Sinclair exhibit their unfinished skirts. Later the skirts will be hemmed in a final rush for this big event.





Portage proudly claims district contest winner, Carol Holles, as its snappy majorette.



The president of the senior class, Paul Crisman, and valedictorian, Po Davis, talk it all over as they get ready for commencement . . . and farewell.

The P.T.A. carnival netted \$1,700 for the benefit of the athletic department.





In the chem lab, stinkers plot mysterious odors. Frank Walsh, Lloyd Long, Leroy Jones, and Jack Walsh guard the secrets of the H-bombs.

## We work together, too . . .



Future Rembrandts prove to be squares in cubism.



Seventh-graders—Everett Davis, Edith Robbins, and Joyce Bailey—proudly exhibit student-designed covers for Book Week.



Advanced shop students—Ronnie Puett, Dean Pennington, Dan Moore, and Nick Fekete—help remodel the shop.



j-p-space, -i-f-space, sit-up-straight-space.  
Typists concentrate on mastering the keyboard.



Shirley Gifford is crowned by last year's queen Donna Hawkinson. Her ladies in waiting, Madeline Bradford, Telvin Wyatt, and Charlene Ingram, seem equally pleased to be in her court.

## *Homecoming ties Wirt; crowns Shirley*



A record crowd filled the cornshuck-decorated gym and danced to Tommy Marshall's music.

*Right:* Mr. Aylesworth is the first to congratulate our newly-crowned Football Queen. No one knew until the half-time festivities which of these popular seniors would reign.



*Left:* The faculty enjoyed the Football Dance as well as the students. Any similarity between the pumpkin on the table and any faculty member . . .

*Below:* Jo Anne Marshall, second from right, proudly observes the effect of her work as decorating chairman. Paul Cristman, left, was chairman of the homecoming activities.





## *Christmas festivities*

*Left:* The punch bowl is always a popular spot at a dance. Emily is trying to keep up with the demands of the long line of escorts as they wait to get a cup of Christmas punch.



*Upper:* Blue spotlights carried out the theme "Blue Christmas" by shining on the silver Christmas tree.



*Right:* The Christmas Dance is one of the times when *Alumni* return. All three fellows are Indiana University students taking a turn around our dance floor.

Genius follows help since  
dates as they arrive at the  
dance.

## *bring flowers and fun*



Underclassmen find time  
out their dance pro-  
grams as they take time  
out between dances.



Tommy Marshall fur-  
nished the music for the  
Christmas Dance. His or-  
chestra is popular with Portage  
students for special  
occasions.



## Juniors stage Wild West

"Ye cain't git a man with a gun!" cried Annie. The junior play set a record for a two-night stand by being the school's first costumed double-cast play. The comedy, charm, and excitement sent the juniors swirling in this colorful production re-enacting the old-time zestful Wild West shows.

*Upper:* Pat Reaper (left) and Po Davis as Annie Oakley, shared Paul Crisman, who played Frank Butler

*Second:* "Indians! At the Fair Grounds for four days only!" The opening of the Wild West show was sensational for the modest hotel guests.

*Third:* "We can only get together when her ma's eating"—Tommy and Winnie had a domineering mother to by-pass before getting married.

*Lower:* The gallant Buffalo Bill (Is this Frank or Jack?) was on hand to call the shots at the shooting match between Frank and Annie.



"Now come along, Birdie; you can't sit there."  
Anthony Bourne, trying to calm her nerves, took  
an audience with a drunk.

## Seniors climb aboard "The Ghost Train"

"The train—I must see it, I must!" cried Julia Price, creating a mood of suspense in the deserted train station. Being an unusual mystery, this play tested the imagination of the seniors for assembling many complicated sound effects. Amidst rain, thunder, and lightning, the double cast unrolled a dramatic hit that filled its audiences with enthusiasm.

*Upper:* The famous English detective, Teddie Deakin, (played by Hugh Daubek) unveiled the mystery when he stepped into the picture.

*Middle:* "Let me go!" yelled dramatic Julia Price (played by Pat Reaper and Diane Bliss). Smashing the window, she made an attempt to see the ghost train.

*Lower:* "Outside the door they found him, with the lamp still burning in his hand." Finding this body, which later disappeared, set the pace of a fast-moving, involved plot.





These sleepy-time gals were later revived by an after-dance snack.

## *Enchanted Evening sets theme for prom*



Refreshments: punch—AGAIN. Mr. and Mrs. Aylesworth seem pleased, however.



The highlight of the evening was the grand march, led by the class presidents Bob Selby and Paul Crisman. The occasion was not as solemn as it looks.



The "Winter Whirl," sponsored by the Girls' Athletic Association, gave a new twist to the usual snow-time activities. Being a turn-about dance, the girls made original corsages for their dates and produced the finances for the evening.

## *Girls turn the tables and treat fellows*



It's a known fact that at the athletic banquets, given by the G.A.A., the fellows just dive in and devour platters of food in nothing flat. Do please excuse Jack's manners!

# WE CHEER FOR OUR TEAMS

"Respect all; fear none" was the slogan of this year's Indian athletic endeavors. The boys who wore the red and white upheld the ideal of sportsmanship in the true American sports tradition. Our teams carried out the spirit of our school in their driving will to win and their ability to accept defeat with honor.







LYNN McCASLAND  
LEON DELMAGE

JOE SISTANICH  
RICHARD CLEM

RALPH NEMERGUT  
TOM LENBURG

NICK FEKETE  
GARY BRADFORD

## *Football team finishes fifth*

Mr. Bogan, asst. coach; Lynn McCasland, team captain; Mr. Speckhard, head coach; Mr. Smith, line and B-team coach.



Starting in August, our team trained vigorously to be ready for the first game played the same day as class registration. From that first game to the last game of the season, the gridmen put in long hours conditioning, learning new plays, and improving old ones. Through the efforts of Coaches Speckhard, Smith, and Bogan, the boys found that clean playing and good sportsmanship are two of the benefits of football.

Our team's record this year was two wins, five losses, and three ties. Outstanding halfback Joe Sistanich was honored with a position on the All-Calumet Conference team. The boys who received honorable mention in the Calumet Conference were Lynn McCasland, Leon Delmage, Ralph Nemergut, Gary Bradford, Tom Lenburg, Ronnie Puett, Nick Fekete, and Larry Bradford. Leon Delmage was chosen the most valuable player of the year by his teammates.



RONNIE ARELLANO  
LARRY BRADFORD

RONNIE PUIT  
BOB HAACK

BILL BUHMAN  
INDY BETANCOURT

LEROY JENT  
KENNETH JACKSON

## *in Calumet Conference*

First Row: David Hord, mgr., Kenny Jackson, Carl Hinderer, Mike Metzcus, Jack Wellman, Rudy Betancourt, Don Coker, Bob Parish, Larry Borg, Harvey Lahae, mgr.

Second Row Dale Puett, Bill Buhman, Nick Fekete, Larry Bradford, Joe Sistanich, Lynn McCasland, Ronnie Puett, Bill Ross, Tom Lenburg, Ed Matthews, John Mander, mgr.

Third row. Coach Speckhard, Ronnie Arellano, L

Clem, Leon Delmage, Bob Haack, Coach Smith, and Coach Bogan.





Gary and Tom had an end run during the Gary Edison game. Tom rounds by for a touchdown.



Ronnie Puett charges through the left side of the line taking three Witt Troopers with him for an eight-yard gain.



*Upper left:* Joe goes over for an easy touchdown.

*Lower left:* Barry is knocked to the turf by Wirt's secondary.

*Upper right:* Although tackled on the goal line, Ronn adds another six points to tie the score.

*Lower right:* Edison players finally stop Joe after a twelve-yard gain.

Portage	13	East Gary	13
Portage	25	Dyer	0
Portage	0	Merrillville	14
Portage	0	Gary Edison	20
Portage	0	Griffith	21
Portage	6	East Gary	6
Portage	0	Valparaiso	26
Portage	6	Wheaton	21
Portage	13	Wirt	13
Portage	20	Lowell	13



*First row:* David Hord, mgr., John Clark, Randall Wagoner, Bruce Schultz, Lewis Edwards, John Nygra, James Douglas, John Lenburg, John Mander, mgr.

*Second row:* Richard Matthews, Paul Bakken, Bill Curry, Richard Nicewinter, John Hill, Jack Colville, Joe Swab, Earl Jackson, Mike Brady.

*Third row:* Coach Smith, Jack Wellman, Bob Parish, Larry Borg, Mike Metzus, Larry Petersen, Bill Herron, Philip Schlobohm, Frank Midnight, Dale Puett, James Bogan, asst. coach.

## *B-team trains for varsity play*

Freshman quarterback, Mike Brady, fades for a pass during practice.



Snagging Mike's pass is Richard Matthews.





*First row* Richard Matthews, Frank Midnight, Warner Kraft, Jim Douglas, Earl Jackson, Larry Petersen, Bill Herren.

*Second row* Mike Brady.

*Third row* Jack Colville, John Hill, Joe Swab.

## *Junior high builds future stars*

*First row* Tom Phillips, Tom Kunstek, Paul Hutchings, David Carmichael, Larry Sausman, David Culp, Bud Starr, Donald Dean, Junior Creasy, Cliff Bakken.

*Second row* Dale Puett, mgr., Bill L'Huillier, Douglas Pearson, Kenneth Ingram, John Lynn, Warner Kraft, Harold Smoot, Jim McKim, Ralph Luckey, Paul Parker, Irvin Van Blaircom.

*Third row* Coach Johnson, Richard Matthews, Mike Brady, Jack Colville, Earl Jackson, Joe Swab, John Hill, James Douglas, Frank Midnight, Bill Herren, Wayne Miller, Larry Petersen, John Mander, Coach Speckhard.



Front row: Tom Jennings, Gary Bradford, Pat Robbins, Lindy Betancourt, Joe Sistanich, Nick Fekete.

Second row: Coach Strelow, Jim McMargee, Ronnie Puett, Nick Greavu, Richard Clem, Larry Bradford, Lowell Ripperdan.



Coach Strelow and Captain "Dick" look over the '53-54 basketball schedule.

## *Varsity finishes fifth in conference*

Starting the year with only one returning letterman, the basketball team's small amount of varsity experience was in evidence during the first few games. As the season progressed, however, the team showed great improvement. If the game was close, the team usually came out on the high side of the score. The season's thrilling game was a double-overtime tilt with Wirt. It looked bad for the Indians until Dick Clem sank a set shot in the final seconds of the second overtime period to cinch the game. During County Tourney time, the Indians eased past Jackson in the first game, but were stopped by a tough Hebron crew in the second game. The team has a bright outlook for next year with six returning lettermen.

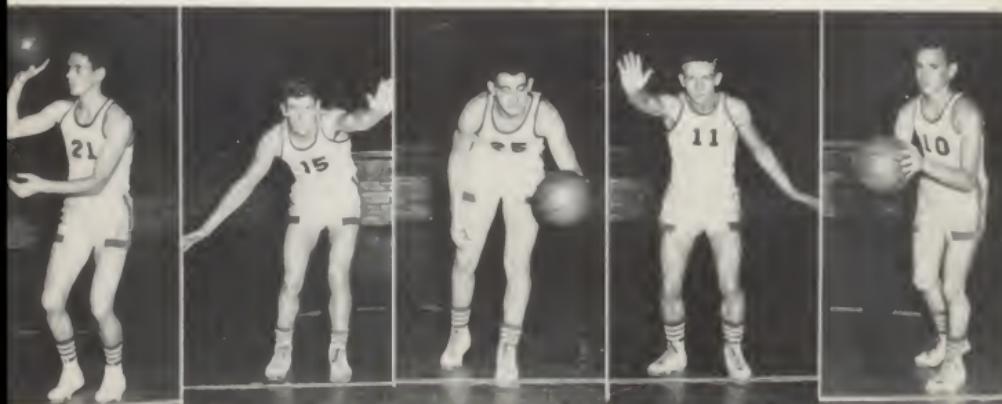
HARD CLEM

JOE SISTANICH

GARY BRADFORD

RONNIE PUETT

LOWELL RIPPERDAN





The fired-up Indian team breaks the huddle to go on the warpath.

				COUNTY	TOURNAMENT	
Portage	47	Hebron	81			
Portage	17	Valparaiso	39	Portage	62	Jackson 49
Portage	19	Chesterton	51	Portage	42	Hebron 59
Portage	10	Merrillville	65			
Portage	18	Dyer	48	Portage	17	East Gary 53
Portage	36	Gary Edison	10	Portage	47	Hobart 67
Portage	42	Wirt	40	Portage	78	Lowell 63
				Portage	48	Griffith 80
HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT				Portage	51	Kouts 53
Portage	49	Crown Point	71	Portage	46	Hammond Morton 78
Portage	42	Chesterton	51	Portage	56	Boone Grove 57
Portage	48	Wheeler	66			SECTIONAL
Portage	32	Calumet Township	62	Portage	40	Valparaiso 47

TOM IFNBURG

JIM McHARGUE

LARRY BRADFORD

LINDY BETANCOURT

PUT ROBBINS





Jim is fouled while jumping for a rebound and collects a free shot.



Gary and Lowell sneak up and steal the ball from an unsuspecting Dyer player.

Lindy and Gary jump for the ball in hopes that it won't go through the rim.

Ronnie waits for the ball with open arms.





*Upper:* Lindy fights to the finish to put Portage on top  
in double overtime against Wart.

*Right:* Lowell is on his own as he drives in and scores  
on a fast break.



*Lower:* It's a long reach, but Lindy attempts to grab the  
ball off the boards.



#### B-TEAM

*First row:* R. Betancourt, K. Jackson, J. Lenburg, D. Puett, K. Lindquist.

*Second row:* Mr. Bogan, coach; D. Wilson, B. Parish, P. Robbins, P. Schultz, M. Metzcus, N. Greau.



#### FRESHMAN TEAM

*First row:* D. Carmichael, D. Hobson, B. L'Huillier, R. Crist, D. Jones, C. Bakken, D. Dean, J. Lynn, P. Hutchings, mgr.

*Second row:* Coach Smith, M. Nicoletto, F. Jackson, J. Högl, F. Razinha, D. Pearson, D. Hord, J. Carlson, C. Severance, B. Nelson.

*Third row:* J. Douglas, P. Schliobohm, M. Brady, J. Swab, J. Bacon, R. Matthews, P. Adams, J. Colville, D. Lute, F. Bonick.



#### JR. HIGH TEAM

*First row:* B. McGivern, B. Wilson, D. Dickerson, B. Fekete, G. Svhila.

*Second row:* K. Ingram, B. Todd, D. Stralich, P. Parker, T. Kunstek, R. Luckey.

*Third row:* Mr. Bogan, coach; D. Thorn, D. Nelson, H. Smoot, D. Baum, M. Thomas, D. Glenn.

*Fourth row:* B. Johnson, J. Benfield, T. Hull, D. June, D. Fenske, D. Wilkie, R. Fenske, J. Creasy.





B-TEAM

Kenny and Put guard a Dyer player in an attempt to gain control of the ball.



*Mike*

FRESHMAN

Mike demonstrates good form for an easy lay-up during a practice session.



JUNIOR HIGH

The junior high team scrimmages in preparation for the Lake-Porter County Tournament.



*First row*: Lowell Ripperdan, Doug Thomas, Jim McHargue, Bill Hinkle, Jim Hallman, Ed Aller, Kent Lindquist, David Carmichael.  
*Second row*: Jim Bacon, Nick Greavu, Terry Sausman, Lowell Glenn, Put Robbins, William Colville, Bill Borrowman, Coach Strelow.

## *Cross Country finishes third in conference*



Due to his constant workouts, Terry sets the pace for many a meet.

Jim Hallman, Doug Thomas, Bill Hinkle, and Terry Sausman get in shape by running two miles after school every night.

Although the Cross Country team started late, they finished third in the Calumet Conference Meet. Terry Sausman found a berth on the All-Conference team by finishing sixth in the meet at Hobart. He was awarded a gold track shoe at the conference banquet for making the team.





*Left* Mac hurling the shot-put while judges prepare to measure the distance.

*Center* Joe flies through the air with the greatest of ease to gain more points for Portage.



## Track takes second

Portage fared well in track last season by winning the Edison relays and coming in second in the Calumet Conference Meet at Hobart. Ted Bolles, Portage's pole vaulting star, broke the school record reaching a height of 11 feet  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches.

*First row*—David Scott, Richard Parker, Marvin Anshro, Ralph Coker, Jim Blair, Richard Clem, Dick Parker, Joe Sitanich, Ted Bolles.

*Second row*—Doug Thomas, Terry Sausman, Gordon Booth, Ivan Mill, Don Calvert, Lynn McCasland, Mike Klukvin, Ronnie Puett, Lowell Glenn.

*Third row*—Don Coker, Paul Schultz, Nick Greave, Putt Robbins, Leon Delmarge, Ronnie Arellano, Joe Magura, Terry Parker, Irvin Fifield.





*First row:* Jack Wellman, mgr., Harvey Lahae, Andrew Siska, Ted Petersen, Charles Dawson, Larry Lynn, Lowell Ripperdan, Nick Fekete, and Tom Lenburg.

*Second row:* Larry Bradford, Mike Molikin, Douglas Wilson, Robert Parish, Lindy Betancourt, Kent Lindquist, Karl Ziegenhagen, Frank Taylor, and Coach Strelow.

## *Portage fields young ball team*

*Upper left:* Shortstop Larry Bradford bats at practice.

*Lower left:* Diamond diggers pose.

*Upper right:* Tom Lenburg makes a put out on a steal to third.

*Lower right:* Nick Fekete in the wind-up.



These *cooling* girls help to keep our school spirit soaring. Varsity cheerleaders — Lynne Ripperdan, Madeline Bradford, Twyla Elliott, and Mary Parker—pose during a pep rally.



All the cheerleaders work with the pep club in boosting school spirit. Here the fans are on their feet singing the school song.



B-team cheerleaders are Janet Fifield, Valerie Strassen, Linda Garrison, and Karen Sines.



## *WE SHARE IN OUR ACTIVITIES*

Extra-curricular activities will always be important. They drill us for contests and rehearse us for performances. They make us prepare for banquets, scramble for scoops, help us to serve our school, and keep us abreast with the times. Best of all, they teach us how to live with one another and how to become good citizens.







*First row:* Ed Aller, Kathleen Morrison, Marjorie Hickman, Bob Haack, Ed Andrews, Connie Myshral, Lynn McCasland.

*Second row:* Lee Nelson, Mike Brady, Bob Parish, Ken Hine, Paul Crisman, John Bender, David Lute, Lowell Ripperdan.



*First row:* Paul Cousins, Jerry Whitlock, Jack Walsh, Frank Walsh, Dale Peyton, Doug Thomas.

*Second row:* Delores Baranek, Janet Robbins, Bill Tittle, Mike Klukvin, Kent Lindquist, Larry Bradford.

*Third row:* Joanne Curry, Duane Swanson, Ronnie Arellano, Kathryn Anderson, Darrell June.

## *Band wins first in marching contest*

Mr. Myers, director; Madeline Bradford, sec.; Emily Hickman, quartermaster; Lynn McCasland, vice-pres.; Barbara Kimmel, treas.; Paul Crisman, pres.



The Portage Band practiced faithfully to get ready for the District Marching Contest in Valpo. The drudgery paid off, however, for they received a first division rating. Marching at football games had a strange way of making sore muscles and limbering up feet and fingers. Because the routine was changed every game, band marchers had to be sharp. Practicing for the concert season developed their playing talent, while between concerts they performed at contests to test their individual abilities and to try for those shiny medals. In the spring the members turned to contest numbers for the district band contest at Walkerton. One thing was certain throughout the year, however, with the band practicing the first hour of the day, students had little chance to fall back to sleep in class!



*First row* Carol Bolles, Betty Kuehnle, Bev Alexander, Lyla Long, Martha Merwald, Lynne Ripperdan.

*Second row* John Sittow, Sara Jacob, Paul Bakken, Put Robbins, Karen Peterson, Linda Garrison, Karen Sines.

*Third row* Shirley Wvant, Janet Lute, Stephanie Strassen, Arlene Hawkinson, Bonnie Smith, Leona Smock, Doris Payne.



*First row* Paul Schultz, Leslie Thorn, Donna Reynolds, Margaret Brady, Emily Hickman.

*Second row* Judy Olson, Barbara Kimmel, Valerie Strassen, Lavonne Smith, Ann Bratton, Lyla Long.

*Third row* Edith Robbins, Lorraine Brown, Jacqueline Merwald, Karen Goodall, Mary Lou Morrison, Joan Smith, Madeline Bradford.

Jacqueline, Lorraine, Janet, Valerie, and Ann join the button-buckle brigade.



Carol Bolles prepares to step off with the band at football game.





*First row* D. Peyton, C. Bolles, L. Bradford, E. Hickman, P. Cysman, G. Miller, M. Klukvin, J. Robbins, J. Olson, J. Merwald.

*Second row* P. Cousins, L. Ripperdan, D. Johanson, J. Marshall, L. Kipperdan, S. Jacob, R. Clem, S. Gifford, D. Bliss, S. Corbett, C. Mysharral.

*Third row* P. Ekstrom, L. Long, B. Alexander, J. Friedland, R. Borrowman, K. Goodall, K. Morrison, M. Gilbert, C. Mysharral.

*Fourth row* S. Crossman, J. Holm, B. Haack, B. Hinkle, B. Borrowman, E. Aller, E. Bednash, R. Wade, P. Robbins, E. Matthews, L. McCasland, B. Kimmel.



Marilyn, Nancy, Betty, Bruce, Ronnie, and Eva oil their vocal chords while Janet tickles the ivories.

Marilyn, Myra, Eva, and Shirley bustle into their robes before the Christmas program.



*First row* D. Hentschel, M. Jarosak, M. Miller, C. Cobble, T. Lenburg, C. Farley, B. Tittle, J. Smith, E. Andrews, M. Bradford, H. Daubek.

*Second row* R. Tesci, P. Reaper, T. Wyatt, J. Rollins, B. Kuehnle, P. Bakken, S. Strassen, D. Hendershott, A. Hawkinson, B. Parish.

*Third row* J. Curry, C. Tobe, B. Smith, M. Wade, A. Strain, J. Bender, L. Smuck, J. Wellman, K. Tabor, B. Schultz.

*Fourth row* A. Bratton, J. Curry, B. Sinclair, B. Zyskowski, B. Flynn, A. Wola, K. Hine, K. Scherger, N. Greau, M. Coburn, R. Davis.

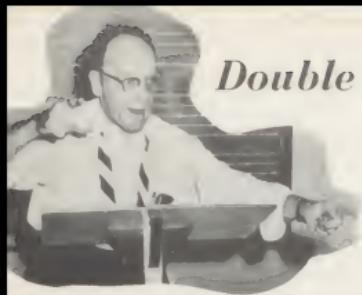
## *Singing quartets set new style*

Uncle Norm dishes out music to Joan, Mary, Jackie, Myra, and Paul. He hopes that the words will be memorized before the concert. (Ha!)

The choir this year could be called the singing quartets because of being divided into groups consisting of a bass, alto, tenor, and soprano. Twenty quartets, chosen from the choir classes, practiced during the noon hours. Besides giving three concerts a year, they participated in the County Music Festival, contests, Christmas program, and the Chesterton-Portage choir concert. Choir members will recall the bumpy bus rides and, of course, the stormy days that go with contests. New robes had to be ordered to outfit the extra big choir. Naturally, they will always remember the starchy collars that turned the neck red, and the too-long or too-short robes. The choir may have sounded like "prunes" at times, but the "prunes" think it sounded pretty good!



## Double Sextet tinkers with tunes.



Mr. Myers, director

Representing Portage through music, a dozen voices and ten fingers blended in song when the Double Sextet toured Indiana. Gathering their repertoire into each little black book, the group sped merrily on their way taking two tours. The ensemble gloried in taking first place in the district and state music contests. "Keep on having fun," read the judge's critique at the state contest, and her words were carried out to the fullest. A jaunt to sing at the little Crisman Church had begun the "Dirty Dozen's" busy season, and their last "command performance" was at commencement.



Lower: Lowell Ripperdan, Jim Borrowman.  
Upper: Sara Jacob, Emily Hickman.



Below, clockwise: Ed Andrews, Hugh Daubek, Jo Anne Marshall, Madeline Bradford.



Above, left to right: Paul Crisman, Po Davis, Ken Hine, Gayle Miller.

Barbara Kimmel, accompanist



## Thespians stage movie

Thespian President Lynn McCasland does away with ~~sil~~ Iain Jim Borrowman. Heron Madeline Bradford is shocked by the threat of the dangerous fight. Under the supervision of Mrs. Kyle, the Thespians wrote, directed, and filmed the movie, "Flowers for Bravery."

The application of make-up is one of the fundamentals that Thespians must know. *Left to right:* Hugh Daubek, Jack Walsh, and Betty Kuehne, make-up Po Davis, Frank Walsh, and Sara Jacob.

Costumes are always important in the theater. Here Barbara Kimmel, Pat Reaper, Gayle Miller, and Shirley Gifford examine the costumes from "Anne Get Your Gun." Ed Andrews is contemplating testing his talents for toe dancing, maybe?



Publicity is another vital "backstage" feature. Ken Hine receives endless suggestions from Thespians Ken Scherger, Ed Stillman, Dick Clem, and Paul Crisman. Jo Anne Marshall adds the "womanly touch" to this sign advertising the Thespian dance.





Creating interest in books by means of bulletin boards is a club project. Here Miss Novak, sponsor; Nancy Tarkany, sec. treas.; and John Reed, vice-pres. put up a Book Week display.



Keeping the library in order is an endless task. However, these members don't seem to mind. *left to right* are: Ronnie Kummel, Lavonne Smith, Tanya McCasland, Barbara Zyskowski, Treva Schavey, Charlene Reed, and Michael McCormick.

## *Library Club spruces up book nook*



Would you like to check out a book? Ladella Miller, Dorothea Lynn, Kenita Nelson, and Donna Miller help Mary Crow, Barbara Creasy, and Janice Zula, president.



Books wear out easily and must be repaired. Marjorie Wade, seated, explains book care to Judy Shirley, Anne Bratton, Judy Taylor, Bonnie Sinclair, Ken Dougherty, Carol Hindemer, Karen Proffitt, and Ronnie Arellano.

These members are checking records of \$2,800 raised in the magazine drive. Seated: Mary Bishop, Arlene Hawkinson, Beverly McBride, and Terry Sausman. Standing: Madeline Bradford, sec. treas.; Po Davis, pres., Mr. Shaddick, sponsor; Tim Lenburg, Jim Bacon, and Paul Cristian.

The duty of the Student Council is "to unite the various classes and school organizations into a support of the interests and purpose of the school as a whole." The council pays for convocations and other functions through a magazine drive. To the annual events—homecoming, convocations, the magazine drive, and College Day—were added a Career Day, student-faculty coke and coffee parties, the candy machines, and many new ideas to further future council activities.



## *Student Council sounds out new ideas*

Student-participation convocations are an important undertaking of the Student Council. Chairman Ed Andrews shows plans to members. Seated: Mike Klukvin, Bob Wilson, Ed Andrews, and Margaret Brady. Standing: Kathleen McDonald, Mike Brady, Karen Ostroot, Janice Anderson, and Jack Wellman.

Myra Miller outlines the plans for a faculty-council coke and coffee party. Seated: Joe Sistanich, Bert Fekete, Myra Miller, and Larry Borg. Standing: Alan Hahn, Jim Benfield, Paul Parker, George Svhla, and Curtis Severance.





The officers and sponsor dish out the grub just before the football banquet. *First row*: Madeline Bradford, pres. *Second row*: Janet Culp, vice-pres.; Miss Adkins, sponsor; Beverly Alexander, treas.; Jackie Curry, sec.

The board battles over plans for the parties, banquets and activities of the G.A.A. *Kneeling*: Virgie Logsdon, Barbara Creasy, Shirley Corbett, Mary Gilbert. *Second row*: Lorna Collins, JoAnn Bednash, Stephanie Strassen, Twyla Elliott, Carol Coyne, Judy Shirley, Mary Parker.

## Girls' Athletic Association bowls and swims



*First row*: J. Lindstrom, C. Johnson, T. Schavey, C. Hinderer, J. Lute, C. Coyne, L. Brown, C. Ingram, B. Sinclair, M. Funkey. *Second row*: M. Bradford, P. Nelson, M. Lemmon, F. Nelson, B. Alexander, E. Bednash, L. Ripperdan, T. Elliott, S. Corbett, M. Parker, P. Rogyom, D. Bliss, S. Gifford, M. Coburn.

*Third row*: S. Mundell, L. Shepard, B. Huff, J. Shirley, S. Strassen, S. Crossman, J. Jennings, B. Creasy, J. Marshall, J. Curry, S. Jacob, J. Curry, J. Culp.

*Fourth row*: D. Lute, S. Gates, M. Hickman, M. Wade, D. Payne, E. Robbins, K. Ostroot, J. Willis, K. Montgomery, J. Koritko, J. Bednash, L. Collins, C. Goin, P. Malis.

*Fifth row*: J. McDonald, V. Logsdon, B. Maluvac, K. Simes, J. Hutchings, M. Wood, J. Taylor, J. Hinkle, V. Hutchings, A. Moore, V. Horton, V. Strassen, C. Lahae, K. Peterson, B. Tobey, J. Zula.

The Audio Visual Club officers and sponsors check the daily schedule.

*Left to right:* Jim Hall, exec. sec.-treas.; Bill Virdie, vice pres.; Ed Stillman, pres.; Mr. Whitteman and Mr. Shaddick, co-sponsors.



Hugh Daubek teases the ~~members~~ while Barry Flynn, Doug Wilson, and Paul Schultz tease Hugh.



## *Smooth operators in Audio-Visual Club*

Veterans in the Audio-Visual Club admire the school's new projector. *Left to right:* Larry Lynn, Ed Aller, Don Mongold, John Nygra, Jim Borrowman, and Lee Nelson.



Ken Dougherty treats new club members to a glance at the recorder. *Left to right:* Bryce Ingram, Bob L'Huillier, Bill L'Huillier, David Hord, Mike Klukvin, Duane Swanson, and Ken Dougherty.





*Left, first row:* D. Dickerson, F. Nelson, E. Robbins, N. Corneil, D. Hord, Pres., P. Knouff, A. Zyskowski, C. Myshrali, K. Morrison, D. Bauer.

*Second row:* M. Merwald, M. Hickman, B. Smith, K. Goodall, L. Peterson, J. Benfield, J. Bacon, P. Adams.

*Right, first row:* L. Sausman, J. Creasy, Mr. Long, sponsor, V. Valentine, L. Long, C. Phillips, R. Plummer, J. Sitton, H. Moore.

*Second row:* J. Miller, S. Main, H. Smoot, M. Thomae, G. Svhila, F. Dunn, D. Larson.

## *Private Eyes of Nature investigate*

*At front:* Mrs. Long, sponsor. *First row:* M. McCormack, F. Krautstrunk, T. McCasland, J. Lindstrom, M. Lemmon, J. Hinkle, P. Nelson, W. Wood, B. Sable, H. Moore.

*Back row:* J. Wagoner, D. Krautstrunk, G. Newbert, B. Kyle, D. Turpin, D. Robinson, J. Nelson.



Junior high students named their newly-organized science club "Private Eyes of Nature." This group of students, who are especially interested in science, meets once a month immediately after school. Here the junior scientists view films of scientific interest, and observe and discuss science projects. One highlight of the Science Club was a trip to the Sci-Math Assembly held on the campus of Purdue University. Individual projects for club members were exhibited at the Regional Science Fair held at Chesterton.



*First row:* J. Olson, V. Strassen, S. Baker, M. Brady, K. Sines, J. Robbins, M. Funkey, M. Elledge.

*Second row:* A. Kopko, W. Knouff, R. Cummins, J. McDonald, M. Hahn, P. Gottlieb, P. Huff, M. Miller.

*Third row:* D. Swanson, C. Severance, C. Hinderer, J. Lute, K. Goodall, B. Smith, A. Bratton, H. Logdon.

*Fourth row:* D. Lute, A. Strain, P. Cousins, S. Mundell, B. Sinclair, E. Aller, Mrs. Jones, sponsor.

## *Latin classes form toga tribe*

## *Honor Society: our scholastic "Who's Who"*



*Upper:* These members are reading the charter telling of the personal qualifications of National Honor Society Members. *Left to right:* Po Davis, Emily Hickman, pres.; Ed Stillman, Frank Walsh, and Barbara Kimmel.

*Right:* Making plans for the annual spring picnic, members Shirley Gifford, Jack Walsh, Jackie Curry, and Madeline Bradford offer ideas to sponsor Mr. Shaddick.





*Front row* Hugh Daubek, Josie Holm, Barbara Creasy, Lowell Ripedan, Richard Clem.

*Second row* Tanya McCasland, Arlene Hawkison, Peggy Ekstrom, Jack Walsh, Kenneth Fine, Frank Walsh, Bill Colville, Lynn McCavland and Joan Shepard.

## *POW WOW staff keeps the presses rolling*

Reporters with a "nose for news" pounded the halls searching for stories, scoops, and everyday occurrences that make life at Portage so much fun. The business department spent many long hard hours selling advertisements and trying to balance the budget. It was the editorial staff's responsibility to make sure that all deadlines were met and that the paper came out on

time. These two departments composed the staff of the *Pow Wow* and worked to have the paper in the hands of their subscribers every other Friday. To help the staff learn good journalistic procedures, they attended a newspaper conference at Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana, and sent the school paper to Columbia University to be judged in a high school newspaper contest.



Hugh Daubek, advertising manager, goes over some of the advertisements for the next issue with Frank Walsh. Staff members Barbara Creasy and Peggy Ekstrom take tips on lay-outs, as they make notes for future editions.

Yank Walb, editor; Mrs. Kyle, adviser; Jack Walsh, business editor; and Arlene Hawkinson, associate editor, review the proofs and plan the make up for the next issue.



*Left:* The jokers of the POW WOW staff, Bill Estesville; Lowell Ripperton; Richard Clem, sports editor; and Lynn McCasland, business manager, copy read the latest edition.



Joan Shepard, Peggy Ekstrom, Tanja McCasland, and Joan Holm type the articles before they are sent to the printer.



Ken Hine, Joan Shepard, Richard Clem, and Jack Walsh read exchange papers from other schools that provide the staff with ideas of what other schools are doing.



"Here's how I found that proportion!" says Hugh Daubek to Lynn McCasland. Mac is mounting a picture while Hugh explains the slide rule.

"How can I write lively copy?" groans Jack Walsh to artist Jo Anne Marshall. Jo Anne originated all the pinwheels and designed many of the layouts for this book.



An annual is quite a strange creature. It can make you miss class and lose sleep. You can get mad at it, and yet it still sits there, remaining empty and meaningless until you complete it.

All of the hours taken to plan and assemble our 1954 LEGEND may be retold by the little cubby hole in the back of room 305, our official publishing house. These four walls strewn with picture plans closed around the weary but happy staff as they finished up after a flurried day of picture taking. A few days later, the smell of rubber cement penetrated the walls as the final mountings were cleaned and shipped to the engraver. Caps, heads, and body copy sent the staff plodding back to this room to check references and the files for information. Selecting type, designing the cover, cutting proofs—these duties kept the staff hustling through the year to meet that March deadline.

After slaving for thirteen months, the staff at last distributed the copies, and examined the pages of this product of their imagination and work.

## ***LEGEND staff***



Carol Cobble, Janat Culp, and Barbara Creasy planned many pictures and gathered information for write-ups.



The typists proved to be an indispensable crew as they turned out letters to the advertisers, ads, pedigrees, and copy—typed with efficiency-plus. *Left to right:* Carol Bolles, Shirley Gifford, Jackie Curry, Bev Alexander, Betty Kuehnle, and Business Manager Madeline Bradford.

## *records the year's events*

Miss Doris Novak, LEGEND sponsor, guided the editorial staff in their plans and assignments. *Left to right:* Put Robbins, asst. editor; Madeline Bradford, business manager; Miss Novak; Po Davis, editor.



# WE ARE THE *PEOPLE* AT PORTAGE

All of us—unknowns or wheels, teachers or students—look to Portage for our jobs. Whether we administer programs, assign homework, or turn in the assignments, we are there when the doors open in September. For the junior high it's the beginning, and for the seniors it's the end. Then in May we all look back on a year that will linger in our memories.





## *Men behind scenes*



The man with the big smile is our principal, Mr. Wallace Aylesworth. After his telephone call, he might confer with parents, advise a student on his schedule, unscramble a date for a club activity, or deal with countless other jobs that keep a school running smoothly.

As the assistant principal of the high school, Mr. Bryan Shaddick counsels students, acts as the chief "in-between" man, and keeps a watchful eye on us, even when we're absent.

Mr. William Fegely, principal of the junior high, oversees that section, to keep the mechanism well oiled.

## *Chief of Indian Tribe*

Mr. Ted Kimmel, our trustee, takes time out to explain proudly the plans for the new school. A trustee has many duties to perform, including planning the new school, checking absentee rates, reporting our statistics, and numerous other time-consuming jobs.

A capable man for this office, Mr. Kimmel succeeds in making the tie between our school and the township's string of communities.



## Portage enlarges faculty

This year the faculty boasts ten new teachers. With the over-crowded conditions at Portage, the teachers are put to a real test. Most of our veteran teachers have more than proved that they are individuals who seek other than financial

benefits. Unlike other occupations, theirs is a never-ending task extending out of the classroom, where they are called upon to advise and assist in more than their share of problems in dealing with our school life.



RUTH ADKINS  
Health, Physical Education, Safety



EDWARD ANDERSON  
English, Social Studies



MARY ELLIN AULT  
Dietitian, Home Economics



MARGARET BAIRD  
Commercial



JAMES BOGAN  
Health and Safety, Physical Education,  
World History



VERA CRISMAN  
English



PHILLIP DICKEY  
Industrial Arts



WILLIAM FEGELEY  
Jr. High Principal, Mechanical Drawing,  
Safety



CHARLOTTE GILBERT  
Mathematics



NORMAN HANNEWALD  
Music



MARJORIE HFFRFN  
Home Economics



JACK HILDRETH  
Social Studies



ETHEL JONES  
English, Latin



ROWENA KYLE  
Dramatics, English, Journalism, Speech



AGNES LONG  
Science



LOWELL LONG  
Science



RALPH MORRIS  
Driver's Training



CHARLES MOSSON  
Art



GEORGE MYERS  
Music



DORIS NOVAK  
Librarian



BRYAN SHADDICK  
Assistant Principal, Mathematics, Physics



ROBERT SMITH  
English



KARL SPECKHARD  
Physical Education



EDMUND STRELOW  
Commercial



ROBERT WALKER  
Social Studies



JAMES WEBER  
English, Spanish



MERLE WHITEMAN  
Mathematics



CATHERINE ZSCHOCHÉ  
Mathematics



COOKS  
Grace Mahns  
Bertha Scherer  
Luella Mahns



SECRETARY  
Helen Foreman



MAINTENANCE AND TREASURER  
Roy Dahlin  
Ruth Lindquist



Looking over the *World Atlas*, the senior officers and sponsors dream of a REAL class trip! *Left to right:* Pres. Paul Crisman, Vice-Pres. Madeline Bradford, Sec. Eva Bednash, Treas. Lynn McCasland, and Sponsors Mr. Shaddick and Mr. Hildreth.

## Senioritis catches, overcomes class of '54

**SENIORITIS:** The disease that is more contagious than the measles, is caught faster than the flu, is harder to cure than a cold, and hurts deeper than any possible ache when it's all over. The symptoms generally appear in the fall, grow steadily worse until an epidemic finally breaks loose in the long-awaited month of May. The only known cure is a solemn graduation.

Generally speaking, the class of '54 will be remembered for being different. First we set the tradition of ordering class rings in the sophomore year. We were the first class to change the place for a prom, produce a double-cast play, and introduce the idea of duo-colored commencement gowns.

Statistically speaking, we dropped from 72 freshmen to 54 seniors, graduating 24 girls and 30 boys.

Specifically speaking, the last year was the best. The first class business was initiating the new faculty with jokes in class, the spook show,

and homecoming. Next came November and the class play. Screams and storms made audiences squirm at "The Ghost Train." Soon afterwards, Santa made way and brought a "Blue Christmas," mistletoe, and our name cards to be exchanged. Turney-time arrived and the Pep Club gained beanies and sweatshirts and lost their voices. The last semester started with seniors cutting classes and then dodging Mr. Shaddick.

Plans became more definite for the class cruise to Mackinac. The Double Sextet took off, rolling in fun and melody. We began to realize that we would soon be missing the last-minute cramming for quizzes, ball games, all the kids, and that bond of being part of the class of '54. Baccalaureate came, commencement went, and then there we were—graduated and gone from Portage . . . but never to be forgotten. (We hope!)



BEVERLY ALIXANDER

Annual Staff 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Choir 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Pep Band 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 4.



ED ANDREWS

Class Vice President 1; Basketball 1; Baseball 2; Press Club 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 3, 4; Thespian Club 3, 4; Student Council 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4.



MARVIN ANS BRO

Basketball 4; Baseball 3; Junior Play.



IVA BEDNASH

Class Secretary 4; Choir 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3; Junior Play; Pep Club 1, 2, 4; President 4.



ROGER BENNELLI

Junior Play.



NANCY BISHOP

G.A.A. 3; Pep Club 1, 2, 4.



DIANE BLISS

Calumet High School 1; Edison High School 2; Choir 4; Senior Play; Pep Club 2, 4.



CAROL BOLLINE

Annual Staff 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Choir 2, 3, 4; Choir leader 2; Junior Play; Pep Club 1, 2, 4; Secretary Treasurer 4.



**JIM BORROWMAN**

Muskegon High School 1, 2; Choir 3, 4; Double Sextette 4; Audio-Visual Club 4; Thespian Club 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play.



**MADELINE BRADFORD**

Class Vice President 4; Class Treasurer 3; Annual Staff, Assistant Business Manager 3, Business Manager 4, Press Club 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary-Treasurer 2, 3, 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Honor Society 3, 4; Thespian Club 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice-President 3, President 4; Student Council 1, 4, Secretary-Treasurer 4; Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Pep Club 1, 2, 4.



**GLENN BUSH**



**RICHARD CLEM**

Football 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Press Club 4; Choir 2, 3, 4; Thespian Club 4; Junior Play; Senior Play.



**MARILYN COBURN**

Choir 4; Spanish Club 2; G.A.A. 1, 2; Pep Club 1, 2, 4.



**WILLIAM COLVILLE**

Track 2, 4; Press Club 4; Spanish Club 3.



**MICHAEL CORBETT**

**SHIRLEY CORBETT**

Choir 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3; Junior Play; Pep Club 1, 2, 4, Vice President 4.





WILLIAM CREASY

Spanish Club 2, 3; Junior Play.

PAUL CRISMAN

Class President 3, 4; Class Vice President 2; Baseball 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice President 3; President 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 3, 4; Thespian Club 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Boys' State; Pep Band 1, 2, 3.

IRMA CUMMINS

Choir 1, 2, 3, 4.

JACKIE CURRY

Annual Staff 4; Choir 4; Honor Society 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 4; Secretary 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 4.



HUGH DAUBEK

Cross Country 2; Annual Staff 4; Press Club 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 4; Audio-Visual Club 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3; Thespian Club 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play.

ROSEMARY DAVIS

Class Secretary 1, 2; Annual Staff 3, 4; Assistant Editor 3, Editor 4; Press Club 2, 3; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Treasurer 1; President 2; Honor Society 3, 4; Thespian Club 3, 4; Vice President 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Secretary-Treasurer 3; President 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Girls' State; Pep Club 1, 2, 4; Treasurer 2; Valedictorian.

LEON DELMAGE

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play.

DON ENSMINGER



JANET FRIEDI AND

Choir 3, 4.

HOWARD GARRIOTT

Wirt High School 1; Track  
2; Junior Play.

SANDRA GARRIOTT

Spanish Club 2; G.A.A. 3;  
Pep Club 1, 2, 4.

BILL GERBER

Football Manager 1, 2, 3;  
Track Manager 2, 3.



SHIRLEY GIFFORD

Annual Staff 4; Choir 4;  
Honor Society 3, 4; Secretary;  
Treasurer 4; Spanish Club 2,  
3; Thespian Club 3, 4; Treas-  
urer 4; G.A.A. 1, 2; Student  
Council 2; Junior Play; Sen-  
ior Play; Pep Club 1, 2, 4;  
Homecoming Queen 4.

GENE GILBERT

ROSEMARY HAGER

Band 1, 2; Spanish Club 2;  
G.A.A. 1; Junior Play; Pep  
Club 2, 4.

FRED HARNUNG

Basketball 2



EMILY HICKMAN



KENNETH HINE



WAYNE HOKE



CHARLES INGRAM

Munich Dependents High School 1; Band 2, 3, 4; Choir 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Secretary-Treasurer 2; Honor Society 3, 4; President 4; Spanish Club 3; Secretary-Treasurer 3; Senior Play.

Cross Country 2; Football 1; Track 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Choir 3, 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 4; Latin Club 1; Thespian Club 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4.

Austin High School 1; Emerson High School 2; Chesterton High School 3; Senior Play



Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Thespian Club 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3; Junior Play; Senior Play.



Class Secretary 3; Press Club 1, 2, 3, Editor 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary Treasurer 3, 4; Choir 3, 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 3, 4; Honor Society 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3; Thespian Club 4; Student Council 1; Junior Play; Senior Play; Pep Club 1, 2, 4; Salutatorian.



Band 1, 2, G.A.A. 4; Pep Club 4.



Class Treasurer 2; Annual Staff 4; Press Club 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Choir 2, 3, 4; Thespian Club 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3; Junior Play; Senior Play; Pep Band 3; Pep Club 1, 2, 4.



JO ANNE MARSHALL

Annual Staff 3, 4; Press Club 1, 2, 3; Choir 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 3, 4; Latin Club 1; Spanish Club 2, 3; Vice President 3; Thespian Club 4; Secretary 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3; Junior Play; Pep Club 1, 2, 4.



ED MATTHEWS

Cross Country 3; Football 4; Track 4; Press Club 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Library Club 3; Junior Play; Senior Play.



LYNN McCASLAND

Class Treasurer 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Press Club 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice President 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2; Thespian Club 3, 4; President 4; Student Council 3; Junior Play; Senior Play.



BERNARD McFARGUE

Cross Country 3; Basketball 1, 2.



GAYLE MILLER

Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Double Sextette 3, 4; Thespian Club 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3; Cheerleader 2; Junior Play; Pep Club 1, 2, 4.



PAT REAPER

Emerson High School 1; Choir 3, 4; Thespian Club 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Pep Club 4.



BILL ROSS

Class President 2; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2; Choir 1, 2, 3; Thespian Club 4; Library Club 3, 4; Secretary 3; President; Student Council; Junior Play; Senior Play.



KENNETH SCHIRGER

Press Club 2, 3; Choir 4; Latin Club 2; Thespian Club 4; Junior Play; Senior Play.



WAYNE SCHWAGER

Band 1, 2-



JOE SISTANICH

Class President 1; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 4; Latin Club 1; Student Council 1, 4.



ED STILLMAN

Latin Club 1, 2; Honor Society 3, 4; Audio-Visual Club 2, 3, 4, Secretary-Treasurer 2, Vice President 3, President 4; Spanish Club 3; Thespian Club 4; Junior Play.



FRANK TAYLOR

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4.



CLARA TOBEY

Choir 2, 3, 4; Thespian Club 4; Junior Play.



FRANK WALSH

Annual Staff 3; Press Club 3, 4; Editor 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Society 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3; Thespian Club 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Boys' State.



JACK WALSH

Annual Staff 3, 4; Press Club 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Society 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3; Thespian Club 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Boys' State.



TELVIS WYATT

Choir 3, 4; G.A.A. 3; Pep Club 1, 2, 4.



That all-important task of setting the date for the prom is made official by this "date-approval" committee. *Left to right:* Treas. Janat Culp; Pres. Tom Lenburg; Vice-Pres. John Reed; Sponsors, Mrs. Herren, Mrs. Baird, and Mr. Speckhard; and Sec.-Joan Curry.

## *Proud wearers of shiny rings: class of '55*

Our prosperous junior class began its year by receiving class rings, ordered the previous spring. Sponsoring dances after basketball games, selling Christmas cards, planning the Junior-Senior Prom, and merry-making at the class party offered the opportunity for everyone to participate in class activities. Near the end of the year, we journeyed behind the footlights in our play "Ever Since Eve."

We then focused our thoughts on the prom, and to that time when we would be proud to call ourselves "almighty seniors."



RONNIE ARFFLANO  
GARY BRADFORD  
LORNA COLLINS  
JOANNE CURRY

PAUL BAKKEN  
RAY CARMICHAEL  
BARBARA CREALY  
SYLVIA DAVIS

JOANN BUDNASH  
CAROL COBBLE  
SHIRLEY CROSSMAN  
KENNETH DOUGHERTY

JOHN BENDER  
DON COKER  
JANAT CULP  
MARY DYER



PEGGY EKSTROM  
NORMA FASANO  
MARY GILBERT  
CARL HINDFRER

TWYLA ELLIOTT  
NICK FKKETE  
LOWELL GLENN  
JOAN HOLM

RONALD FALARDEAU  
IRVIN FIFIELD  
JIM HALLMAN  
DALE HUTSON

CAROL FARLY  
BARRY FLYNN  
BILL HENTSCHEL  
JOAN JENNINGS



DIAN JOHANSON  
MICHAEL KLUKVIN  
LLOYD LONG  
GEORGE MARSOLEK

BONNIE JOHNSON  
HARVEY LAHAIE  
TANYA McCASLAND  
KATHLYN MONTGOMERY

DONNA JOHNSTON  
TOM LENBURG  
JAMES McHARGUE  
DAN MOORE

LEROY JONES  
VIRGIE LOGSDON  
LOIS MAHINS  
LEE NELSON



RALPH NEMERGUT  
DEAN PENNINGTON  
JOHN REED  
NEIL ROBINSON

JACK OAKLEY  
DALE PEYTON  
LOWLI RIPPERDAN  
PAULINE ROGYON

MARY PARKER  
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V. Valentine

A. Vance

J. Warth

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D. Nash  
W. Nicewinter  
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C. Norris  
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D. Robinson  
S. Sanderson

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J. Nelson  
R. Oakley  
K. Proffitt  
G. Rogers  
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D. Miller  
M. Murphy  
P. Nelson  
K. Ostroot  
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